

Notice of Intent to Award

December 21, 2020

Procurement Type and Number	RFx 3120002083
Procurement Title	Telephone Interviewing Services for the Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System Project within the State of
	Mississippi
Opening Date and Time	December 8, 2020 at 12:00 PM CST

The following vendors submitted responses to the above solicitation:

- The Northridge Group, Rosemont, Illinois
- The Parham Group, LLC, Jackson, Mississippi
- Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi
- Issues & Answers Network, Inc., Virginia Beach, Virginia
- ICF Macro, Inc., Fairfax, Virginia

No vendors were determined non-responsive and/or non-responsible.

Responses were evaluated according to the criteria stated in the solicitation. We announce our intent to award a contract to the following vendor upon approval by the Public Procurement Review Board:

Issues & Answers Network, Inc., Virginia Beach, Virginia

We would like to thank each vendor for your time and efforts in preparing a response to this solicitation.

We invite you to contact Jennifer Dotson, Chief Procurement Officer, via email (Jennifer.Dotson@msdh.ms.gov) if you would like to request a post-award vendor debriefing where we can share with you any applicable information about **your response** including significant weaknesses or deficiencies, technical ratings, and overall ranking specific to **your company's response**. This debriefing is a meeting and not a hearing; therefore, legal representation is not required. However, if you prefer to have legal representation present, you must provide notification prior to the scheduled meeting so that we can also have legal representation present. Your request for debriefing must be received within three (3) business days after the issuance of this notice or no later than December 28, 2020, at 10:00 AM CST.

Vendors are reminded that any protests of this decision must be submitted to Jennifer Dotson within seven (7) calendar days after the issuance of this notice or no later than January 4, 2021, at 5:00 PM CST. The protest must be in writing, identify the name and address of the protestor, provide appropriate identification of the procurement and resulting contract number (if known), and detail the nature of the protest, including available supporting exhibits, evidence, or documents to substantiate any claims.

The successful vendor is instructed not to begin work, purchase materials, or enter into subcontracts relating to the project or services until execution of the contract.

We appreciate your interest in doing business with the State of Mississippi.

Sincerely,

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